

# **ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE**

A method for acquiring an elongated radiographic image comprising: positioning an elongated object between a source of x-rays and a digital image capture device having a known imaging dimension which is less  
5 than a like dimension of said elongated object; moving said device in a direction parallel to said known imaging dimension to sequential contiguous positions to acquire a sequence of radiographic images of said elongated object; and rotating said source of x-rays about an axis perpendicular to said direction of moving said device in coordination with said moving project said x-rays from said source  
10 toward said device.

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